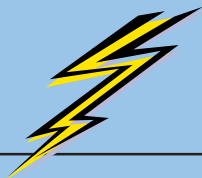


# North Beach News

Fall 2002

City of Miami Beach

Neighborhood Services Department



## FP&L

Miami Beach residents who would like to report power outages or inoperative streetlights in the evening can call Florida Power & Light at 305-442-8770.

*"We are committed to providing excellent public service and safety to all who live, work and play in our vibrant, tropical, historic community."*



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## North Beach, Mayor on the Move/Neighborhood Services, Meeting Summary

Approximately 25 residents attended the Mayor on the Move North Beach District Meeting held at Biscayne Elementary School on Monday, October 28, 2002. The meeting was led as an open discussion where residents shared quality of life concerns with Mayor David Dermer, Commissioners Matti Herrera Bower, Jose Smith, Richard Steinberg

and City administration. The following issues were identified as neighborhood priorities;

1. Traffic throughout the area
2. Restoration of North Shore Open Space Park
3. Environmental clean ups of canals and parks
4. Maintenance of 72<sup>nd</sup> Street Parking Lot



## Environmental Clean Ups

The City of Miami Beach, in partnership with ECOMB (Environmental Coalition of Miami Beach), conducted a clean up along the banks of the Tatum Waterway on Saturday, September 14, 2002. There were approximately 50 volunteers including the kids from the Teen Job Corps. A clean up of the North Shore Open Space Park was held on Saturday, November 2, 2002. Hands On Miami, a not for profit volunteer organization, provided 125 enthusiastic volunteers and additionally, many Miami Beach volunteers also participated.

Clean ups will be coordinated in the coming year. If you are interested in signing up as a volunteer for future projects, please call Lynn Bernstein, Community Resource and Outreach Manager, 305-673-7580.

## Traffic

The City of Miami Beach Public Works Department will conduct traffic counts comparing last year and the year before to this year. The City will work with internal departments, FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) and Miami-Dade County to identify possible opportunities to relieve traffic congestion.

## 72<sup>nd</sup> Street Parking Lot

The City's Parking, Public Works and Police Departments are working closely to make sure that the parking lot is a clean and safe facility for the convenience of residents and visitors to North Beach.

## Recycling Questions?

Recycling pick-up for residents receiving city sanitation service is on Wednesdays. Residents who have private garbage pick-up service should call their hauler directly for their recycling schedules. BFI 305-638-3800, Waste Management 305-471-4444, Davis Sanitation 305-653-2684, and Imperial Sanitation 305-888-3551.

## Important Phone Numbers

**CiviCall**  
(For Information &  
Comments)  
305-604-CITY (2489)

**Office of the  
Mayor and  
Commission**  
305-673-7030

**Office of the City  
Manager**  
305-673-7010

**Police  
(non-emergency)**  
305-673-7900

**Fire  
(non-emergency)**  
305-673-7120

**Neighborhood  
Services**  
305-673-7077

**Community  
Resource &  
Outreach**  
305-673-7580

**Parks &  
Recreation**  
305-673-7730

**Parking**  
305-673-PARK

**City Job Hotline**  
305-673-7777

**City Clerk**  
305-673-7411

**Bulky Waste  
Pick-Up  
Appointment**  
305-633-2700

## 24-Hour Services

**Water & Sewer  
Streets  
Sidewalks  
Streetlights  
Stormwater**  
305-673-7625

**Traffic Signals**  
305-592-3580

**FPL**  
(power outages &  
street lights on  
wooden poles)  
305-442-8770

## City of Miami Beach Renovates Byron – Carlyle Theater

The City of Miami Beach purchased the Byron-Carlyle Theater in May 2001 as a means to provide affordable office, rehearsal and performance space to local community based Cultural Arts Organizations and as a catalyst for development. The rehabilitation of the formerly abandoned Byron-Carlyle Theater was planned as a multi-phase project.

Phase I, which included the complete renovation of over 3,400 square feet of lobby space into a functional office environment and the remodeling of the lobby restrooms into full ADA compliance, is now complete. The roof renovation over half the building is nearly complete and the newly created office spaces are currently occupied by North Beach Development Corporation, Florida Dance, The Children's Cultural Coalition of Dade County, and Arts and Business Council. Phase II anticipates renovation of two of the existing movie theater spaces into a single space to provide an approximately 175 seat performing arts theater and continued stabilization of the roof and HVAC systems. Phase II is anticipated to be complete by April, 2003.

As funding is secured, future phases may include renovation of the second floor balcony area and projection room to provide a single area with film programming capability, renovation of office space on second floor to allow for relocation of small arts groups, and converting former movie theater spaces into rehearsal spaces.

## Home Alarms

There are two types of basic residential alarms; monitored and non-monitored. For the most part, alarms today are monitored through some type of central facility. This means that when the alarm is activated, the alarm sends a signal to the monitoring station which usually attempts to contact the residence. If it fails to contact the residence, the monitoring company then contacts the Police. The Police Department will then dispatch two officers to check the home. If you hear an alarm in your neighborhood that continues to sound, contact the non-emergency number of the Police Department. (305-673-7900)



**The Parking Department** has increased enforcement of commercial vehicles parked in residential areas to include boats, vehicles displaying "for-sale" signs, abandoned vehicles, and vehicles parked HAZARDOUSLY in the right-of-way or blocking a driver's line of sight. Additionally, violations may be issued for prohibiting parking: blocking fire hydrants, crosswalks, sidewalks, and obstructing traffic. The Parking Enforcement Unit will continue to issue citations and monitor the area to ensure compliance with parking regulations. To report violations, contact the Parking Department at 305-673-7505 or Neighborhood Services Community Resource & Outreach Division at 305-673-7580.

## Code Compliance Division

The Code Compliance Division is working hard to ensure that our neighborhoods stay attractive and safe. Part of that effort is investigating resident complaints about conditions that may be violations in their neighborhood.

Sometimes residents become frustrated, because it appears as if nothing is being done. Often, calls come in from residents who state that they registered a complaint weeks ago and the condition that prompted the call is the same.

What most people don't realize is that the inspectors usually visit a complaint a very short time after it is received, usually a day or so. Upon inspection, if they find a violation, they issue a notice to the owner. Unless it is a life threatening condition, the owners has 30 days to correct the violation, or ask for (and justify) a time extension. Until the complaint is satisfied, the case is never closed.



## Resident's Guide to Local Services – Pick up your new resource guide!

The new Residents' Guide contains information and referrals on the City of Miami Beach – everything from the history of our wonderful city to obtaining a bus pass! The guide will tell you how to get your trash picked up and where to find the most interesting Art on the beach. Call the Community Resource & Outreach Team at 305-673-7580 to receive a guide, or log onto <http://www.ci.miami-beach.fl.us/> to download a copy.